

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PROJECT ALLOCATION PER STIP
GUIDELINES
WAIVER-08-11**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve Waiver-08-11, extending the period of project allocation for eight months, to February 28, 2009, for the locally-administered on-system Tinker Avenue Extension project (PPNO 2009N) that connects to Route 260 (aka Webster Street).

ISSUE:

Due to unforeseen delays in acquiring the necessary right of way, the City of Alameda will not be able to request the allocation of \$4,000,000 in Regional Improvement Program funds programmed for Construction in FY 2007-08, by the June 30, 2008 deadline. Therefore, the City of Alameda is requesting an eight-month allocation extension to February 28, 2009.

The delay is attributable to the acquisition of a property owned by the Peralta Community College District (PCCD). The City of Alameda's original schedule was based on purchasing the required property from the PCCD. However, the PCCD recently informed the City of Alameda that the PCCD preferred a property exchange to a purchase. The City of Alameda has since started the process of identifying and acquiring a suitable property for this exchange.

The estimated cost for the property exchange is anticipated to be within the project right of way budget originally developed for the property acquisition. In addition, the City of Alameda will use local funds to cover any increase in project cost resulting from this delay.

BACKGROUND:

Current STIP Guidelines, Resolution G-07-11, adopted by the Commission on November 7, 2007, stipulate that the Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.